

III. Remarks

Claims 4-6, 8-14, 21-22, and 25-46 were previously pending. Claims 4-6, 8-13, 21, 22 and 25-46 have been rejected. Claim 14 has been objected to, but the Examiner has indicated that Claim 14 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim 14 has been rewritten in independent form in this paper, including all of the limitations of the base claim (Claim 4) and the intervening claims (Claims 8, 9, 10, 12 and 13). Claims 6, 27, 31, 34, 37 and 39-46 have been amended to depend on Claim 14, either directly or indirectly. Claims 4, 5, 8-13, 21, 22, 25, 26, 28-30, 32, 33, 35, 36, 38 have been cancelled with this paper.

IV. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that all of the remaining claims in this application, namely, Claims 6, 14, 27, 31, 34, 37 and 39-46. Early and favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

A telephone interview is respectfully requested to discuss any remaining issues in an effort to expedite allowance of this application. To that end, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 972-739-6927.

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